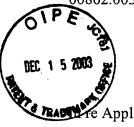
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 6, 2003, the period for response to which having been extended to Monday, December 8, 2003, by the accompanying Petition For Extension Of Time, please amend the above-identified application, as follows:

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